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BSR Resources Limited ("BSRGR" or the "Group") Statement Regarding Guinea

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BSRGR, a leading international diversified mining company, notes with regret recent press coverage regarding its relationship with the Government of Guinea. The recent denial of entry from Sierra Leone for the President of BSRGR Resources, on business grounds of "domestic security", is the latest example of an illegitimate government seeking to harass its people, trade and investment environment. The Group remains committed to the rule of law and to respecting and promoting human rights in all its business activities.

The denial of entry is only the latest of a number of illegal acts by the Government of Guinea. In fact, the Group is conducting a due diligence process on the proposed Barrick Gold project, which is in the process of being reviewed. The proposed project is in the early stages of development and the Group is committed to working closely with the Government of Guinea to ensure that the project is implemented in a manner that is consistent with international standards.

BSRGR is committed to working with the Government of Guinea to develop the country's mineral resources in a sustainable and transparent manner, and to ensure that the benefits of these resources are shared fairly and equitably with the population. The Group is committed to engaging with all stakeholders, including the Government, civil society, and the private sector, to ensure that the development of the country's mineral resources is carried out in a manner that is consistent with international best practices.

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About BSRGR

BSRGR is a privately owned holding company with interests across the globe in natural resources, real estate, capital markets and the diamond industry. BSRGR's natural resources company, is an international diversified mining company with operations in thirteen countries across metals and mining operations in Africa and Eastern Europe, including iron-ore, diamonds, copper, gold and coal. The group is also active in the production of steel and the processing of uranium and gold. The Group is also active in the production of iron-ore and gold.

BSRGR has a fifteen-year track record of providing risk capital for developing and executing mining opportunities in challenging environments. BSRGR employs over eighteen thousand people and has created value and prosperity for its African shareholders in South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Guinea.

BSRGR has operations in a fully transparent manner, working hand in hand with host governments at both the national and local level. BSRGR takes pride in its ability to forge strong relationships with local communities and stakeholders in areas benefiting from its operations.

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About VBG

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